

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 9, after line 25, please insert the following:

--In various embodiment of the invention the anionic polymer is present in the suspension at a concentration between about 20 and about 30 ppm.

In one preferred embodiment of the invention, the ST protein suspension comprises an anionic polymer that has a polymer charge density between about 5% and about 12% and having an average molecular weight greater than about 10,000,000.

In another preferred embodiment, the ST protein suspension comprises an anionic polymer that is a polyacrylamide present in an amount from about 1 to about 100 ppm. The anionic polymer has a polymer charge density of from about 5% to about 12% and an average molecular weight greater than about 1,000,000.

Another preferred embodiment of the invention comprises, a ST protein suspension of having a pH of about 4.5. The ST protein suspension of this embodiment comprises an anionic polymer that is a polyacrylamide present in an amount of about 25 ppm, having a charge density of about 10%, and having an average molecular weight of about 16,000,000.--